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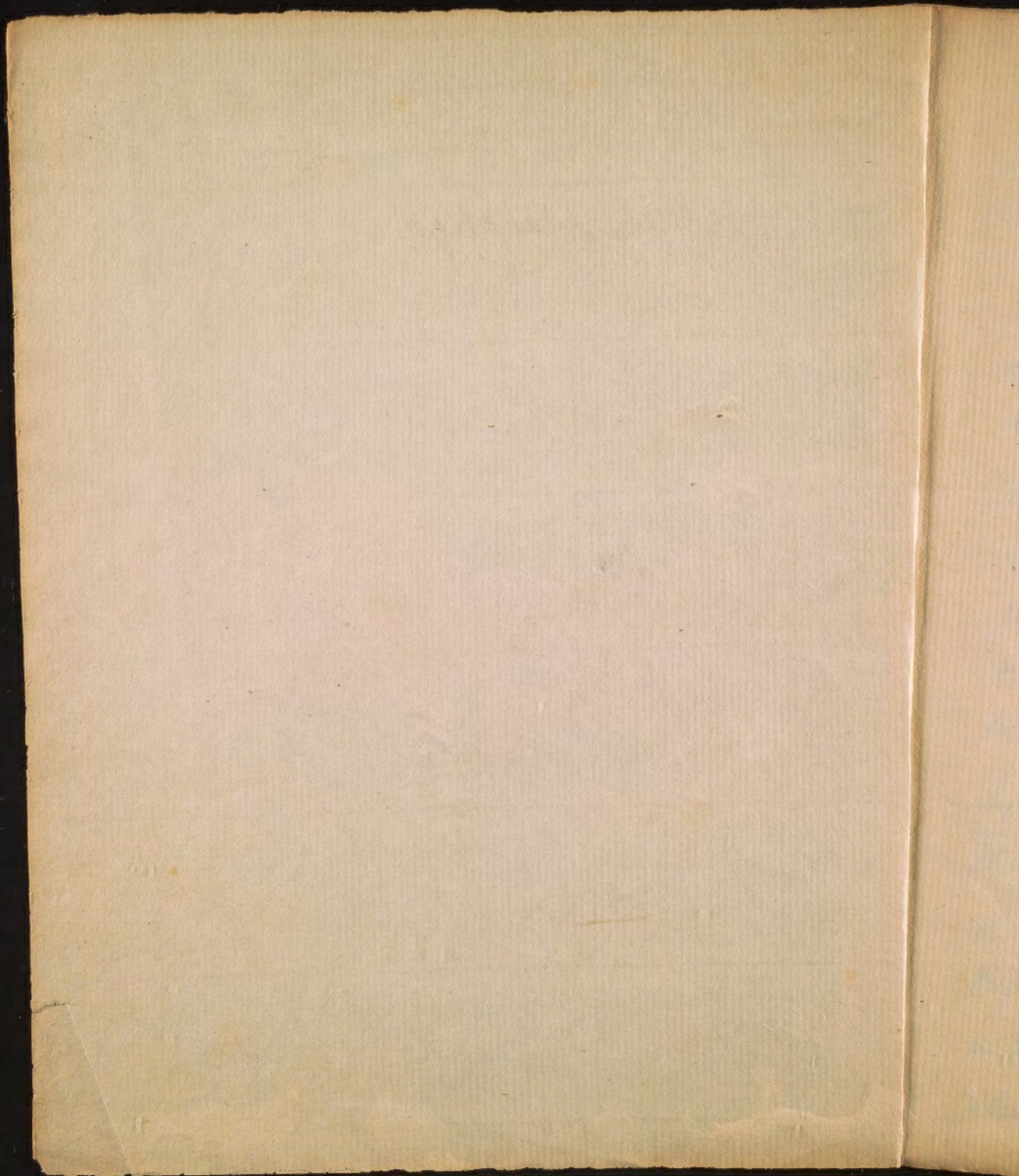
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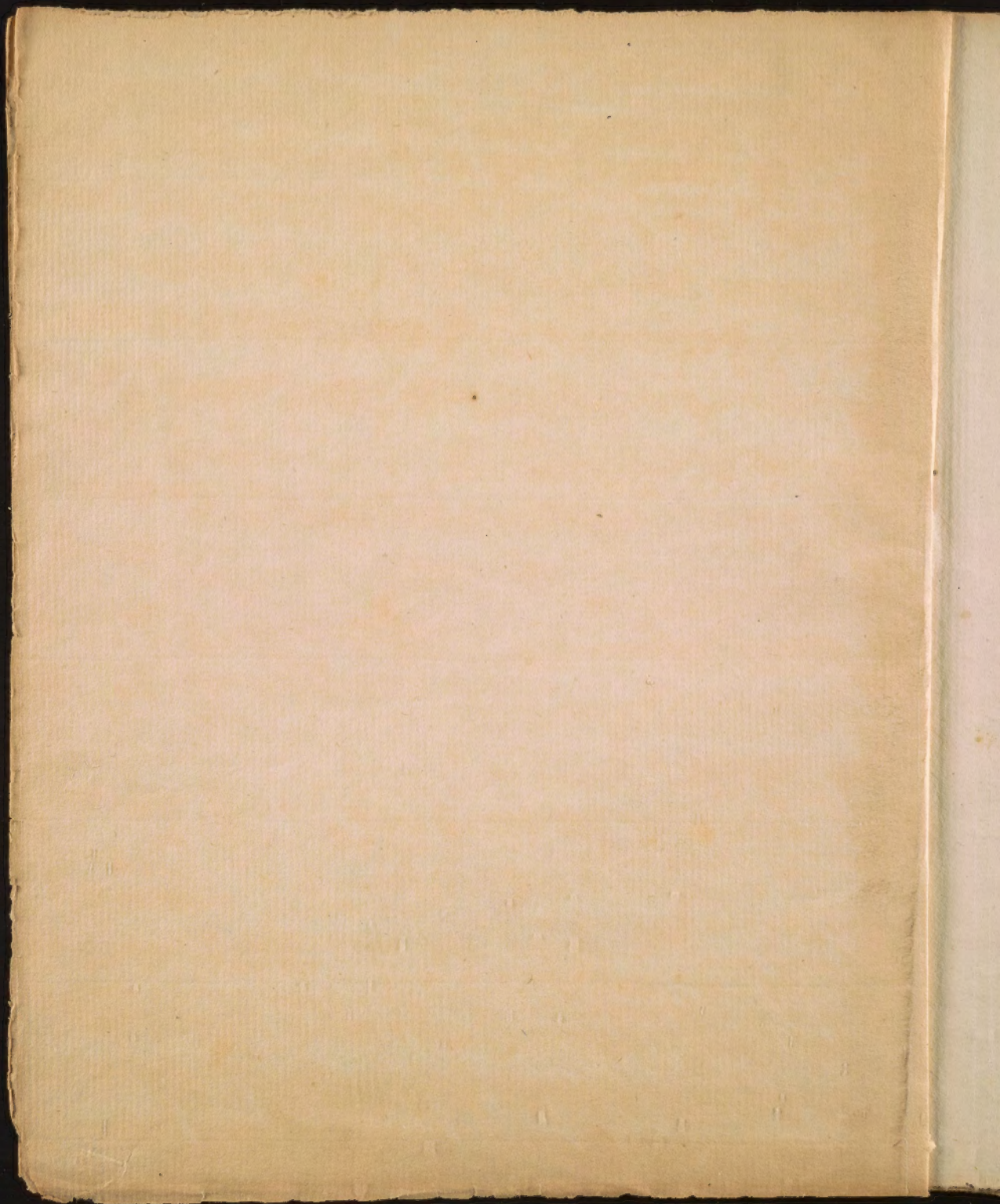














## of Vertigo

This disease of the head derives its name from one of its symptoms, which is by <sup>no</sup> means a constant one, that is a turning round of the objects which surround the person affected. It is a disease of both sexes, and nearly of all ages. We see it at puberty - at twenty one - at the period in which the venous plethora succeeds to the arterial, and of which the menso age, that is <sup>from</sup> ~~about~~ 35 to 40 - and in the decline of life. <sup>Some persons pass this life without being more or less of it.</sup> It has the following grades. 1 a turning round of objects. 2 an elevation & depression of objects. This ~~is to be~~ takes place to such a degree that in walking, the person elevates his feet from a belief that



✓ In this state I have called it "Vestigivores Apoplexy". The intellects and senses are not impaired in it. I met with a case of this form of Apoplexy in the Summer of 1811. My patient fell down ~~about~~ His pulse was at 60. ~~I bled~~ It was ~~was~~ rendered frequent by one bleeding, and the loss of 8 ounces of blood by cups. His blood was sily. I have seen a case of in 1812 in which the patient was unable to sit up without sickness, or fainting for several months.



is ascending rising ground, or trends,  
 as if he were descending from it. This  
 false perception is called Mutation. 3 a  
<sup>trembling of the head,</sup>  
~~trembling~~ 4 a fear of falling 5 Tremors  
 in the whole body 6 false vision 7 nausea,  
 and vomiting. 8 Trinitus and other noises  
 in the ears. 9 Darkness - 10 falling down.  
 11 fainting & finally 12 <sup>serious or dangerous</sup> Apoplexy. It is  
~~the~~ alarming in the order in which I  
 have enumerated its symptoms. The  
 seat of the disease is <sup>in that part of</sup> the in the sensorium  
 commune which communicates w:  
 the senses of vision & hearing, hence the  
 symptoms which have been enumerated  
 in those senses. The mind is generally  
 unimpaired in this disease. we shall  
 not be surprised at this, if we admit  
 with D. Gall that it is seated in the Cortical  
 substance of the brain.



✓ It has lately ~~of~~ occurred from the  
same cause in ~~many~~ <sup>in the year 1811 and 1812. Lastly</sup> parts of the  
United States & Dr Darwin mentions  
~~a~~ a case of its occurring from undue  
efforts to hear in a person in whom  
the sense of hearing was beginning to  
decline from age. —



Its causes are transient, or permanent.

The former are - gyzation, ~~and~~ <sup>whether</sup> active or passive - viewing ob-  
jects that turn round rapidly, - viewing  
objects from a great height, - viewing a  
rapid stream of water, - or a fall of  
from which it <sup>descends</sup> falls in a winding direction,  
- sailing - riding in a carriage backwards,  
ascending a winding stair case - <sup>stooping</sup> -  
a sudden conception of a seat or bench  
on which a person is seated, ~~the~~ <sup>rising suddenly on the feet. It acts by abstracting</sup>  
the conception of the ground by an

earthquake. Dr Boerhaave says he  
once felt it from the last canoe in a  
brush tree. Several persons who were in  
the store with him were affected in the  
same manner. <sup>v</sup> ~~Dr Boerhaave mentions~~

The disease from all these



and  
✓ ~~and~~ worms in the frontal sinuses.

+ ~~at~~ tight ligatures upon every part of  
the body, especially the neck. The ~~late~~<sup>last</sup>  
Judge of the Admiralty under the Bri-  
-tish government <sup>1800-1801</sup> in this state was  
afflicted with it whenever he wore  
a tight pair of shoes. — also



canoes passes off with these ~~causes~~ causes.  
It is prevented ~~for~~ in general of them  
by closing the eyes. Vessels are thus  
prevented from falling down when  
they perform operations in mills.

The present causes of this  
disease both remote & exciting are  
local & general & sympathetic. ~~local~~  
~~proceeding & secondary~~. ~~the primary~~  
are wounds, contusions & concussions of  
the brain ~~also~~ <sup>obstructions</sup> insolation. ~~The~~  
<sup>Tobacco - Drinking strong coffee & tea</sup>  
general causes are ~~plithoric~~ <sup>plithoric</sup> from all  
~~causes especially about the head~~  
its, causes especially the suppression of  
customary excretions. - Gout - Epilepsy,  
fevers more especially ~~prolonged~~ <sup>prolonged</sup> pneumonia, co-  
stiveness & tight laces, especially about the neck,  
its sympomatic causes are worms,  
bile, and wind in the stomach and  
bowels, also indigestible aliment in  
the stomach.



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when permanent  
 The Remedies for Vertigo, should be  
 accommodated to its Causes. ~~The~~  
 When local, those local causes should  
 be removed, and the usual remedies pre-  
 scribed to cure this effect. I have  
 repeatedly cured it by simply <sup>forbidding</sup>  
 the use of strong tea and <sup>particulars</sup> Coffee, ~~the latter.~~  
 Judge Ingersoll was instantly relieved of  
 his vertigo by pulling off his shoes, or  
 slipping them down at the heels, when  
 there is reason to suspect it arises from  
 worms or a worm in the frontal sinus,  
 an Infusion of Tobacco, or a Solution of  
 Alum should be snuffed up the nostrils.  
 When the Disease is connected with the  
 whole System and is accompanied with  
 a full <sup>or</sup> tense pulse the Remedies should  
 be 1st. this should be copious, or



v Disease of the brain than Vertigo,  
& madrius by the translation of <sup>as I shall say presently</sup> blood to the  
Dura mater.



frequent & in moderate quantities according to the ~~state of the~~ grade of the disease, and the danger of its ending in apoplexy.

- I have used VS as an alternative for two years in a Lady in this city & thereby cured it. It should be used for 20, or 50 years if indicated by the pulse, or if relieved by it. Recollect the words of the poet -

"nil reputans aeternum, dum aliquando  
agere restat." It is always a good sign when  
bleeding induces head ache. It is a life saving measure. ✓

2 Purgers repeated every three or four days. - The bowels are excellent outlets for all diseases of the brain.

3 ~~Red~~ Reduced diet, and abstinence from fermented & spirituous liquors.

4 Blisters first to the extremities & afterwards to the Neck - behind the ears and to the head. 5 Issues on a suppurating blister to the arm.

6 Cold water to the head, & warm to the feet.



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7 a plaster of Sherrinburn's wax to the  
foot, - and thick ~~the~~ or double Phos.

8 After the pulse is reduced, tonic medi-  
cines should be. The first of these is  
Garlic. I have cured this disease often  
by this remedy. The late Dr Shippen  
found more benefit from it than  
from any other of 20 remedies he  
tried for it. To this should be  
added the mild preparations of Iron,  
and gentle exercise. -

9 All its ~~own~~ remote & exciting causes  
should be abstracted. ~~Tea~~ Strong tea, &  
Coffee especially the latter should be strictly  
forbidden - ~~the use of~~ Tobacco should  
~~not~~ be forbidden or if used sparingly,  
if long habit has rendered it necessary,



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Tight dresses and ligatures to every part  
of the body should be avoided. (Vidg)  
Ingersoll was always relieved of his  
Vertigo by only pulling off his shoes, or  
wearing them down at the heels. Costiveness  
in evacuations, or ~~and~~ repelled eruptions  
should be restored - costiveness should be  
obviated by gentle doses of Rhubarb in  
pills, or Vinous tincture, and if it be  
connected with Gout it should be invited  
to the feet, particularly to the ball of  
the great toe.

If the disease originate ~~from~~ <sup>in</sup> sympathy  
from offensive matters in the Stomach,  
or bowels, whether worms, bile, or  
indigestible Aliment, they should be  
dislodged by the emetics generally  
employed for that purpose. — V



